

Amendment to the Abstract

Applicant respectfully request the Abstract be amended as follows:

Linear predictive speech coding system that includes a ~~with~~ classification of frames and a hybrid coder using both waveform coding and parametric coding for different classes of frames, a phase. ~~Phase~~ alignment for a parametric coder aligns synthesized speech frames with adjacent waveform coder synthesized frames, a zero. ~~Zero~~ phase alignment of speech prior to waveform coding aligns synthesized speech frames of a waveform coder with frames synthesized with a parametric coder, and an inter-frame. ~~Inter-frame~~ interpolation of LP coefficients suppresses artifacts in resultant synthesized speech frames.